prays for absolute prohibition of child labour in the wake of the Constitution (89th Amendment) Act 2002, effected in December 2002. The matter is still under consideration of the Court.

Social Security Measures in JNU

2161. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any step to safeguard social security measures and encourage women employees working in Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi;

(b) if so, the number of women faculty and women candidates applied, short listed, selected and joined for faculty positions in University during the last three years, year-wise, department-wise and category-wise;

(c) the details of creche facilities and monitoring of creche facility, in campus, as on today; and

(d) the details of staff appointed/working, qualification/training of staff, budget allotted and facilities sanctioned and implemented, as on date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), is a residential university with a well protected campus and a security network which provides necessary safeguards for Women employees. Further, the University has a Gender Sensitization Committee Against Sexual Harassment (GSCASH) and any kind of harassment reported to it by the female employees and students is enquired into by GSCASH and action against the guilty is taken as per rules of the University.

(b) The details in this regard are as under:

Year	No. of Women Faculty	Total number applied (Women)	Short-Listed (Women)	Selected (Women)	Joined (Women)
2003	85	76	34	3	2
2004	91	347	208	23	23
2005	101	154	71	9	6

(c) and (d) JNU has a Day Care Centre under a Supervisor and experienced staff, with security guard. Under Tenth Five Year Plans, the UGC has released a sum of Rs. 3,00,000/-. The Day Care Centre has Child friendly toilet, water purifier with necessary furnishing. Desert Cooler, heat convector, refrigerator, inverter, microwave oven and washing machine.

Construction of classrooms in Karnataka

2162. DR. VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question No. 4859 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 9th May, 2005 and state:

(a) whether 50 per cent of the Central share as first instalment has since been released; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Falling standard of education

2163. SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the standard of education in Government and Government aided schools in the country has fallen considerably in the past few years;

(b) if so, whether the exact cause of the fall in standard of education in such schools in the country has been assessed;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Government have recently approved any schemes for the improvement of quality of education in Government and Government aided schools; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and by when such schemes are likely to be implemented?